

**THE LEGACY GOLF AND TENNIS  
CLUB  
GENERAL CLUB RULES**

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## SECTION I

### GENERAL RULES

**It is the responsibility of each member to be aware of and abide by all rules of the Club. Members and guests violating any rule may be sanctioned by the Board of Governors. All rules are applicable to the Club, its facilities and property.**

1. It is unacceptable for any member or guest to abuse any of the Club's employees, verbally or otherwise. All employees of the Club are under the supervision of the General Manager, and no member or guest shall reprimand or discipline an employee or send an employee off the property of the Club for any reason. An employee not rendering courteous and prompt service should be reported to the General Manager immediately.
2. All persons will refrain from loud outbursts, profanity or abusive language. Members and guests are prohibited from displaying disrespect to fellow members, guests or Club employees.
3. Proper attire is expected in all areas of the Club. Collared shirts or mock collars are required for men. Men are not permitted to wear hats in the Sims Club. Casual country club attire for women.
4. All food and beverages consumed in the Sims Club and Fazio Club must be furnished by the Club. In addition, outdoor catering, coolers, picnic meals and the like are prohibited.
5. Alcoholic beverages will not be served or sold, nor permitted to be consumed, on the Club property during hours prohibited by law. No alcoholic beverages will be sold or served to any person not permitted to purchase same under the laws of the State of Florida or be sold for off-property consumption.
6. The responsibility for controlling excessive drinking lies with each individual as well as the Club employees. Club employees, in their sole discretion, may refuse alcohol service as deemed necessary.
7. The use and sale of any illegal substance and sale of prescription drugs is prohibited.
8. All indoor buildings and workplaces are designated as non-smoking smoke-free buildings. When smoking outdoors, do so responsibly with respect for others, and properly extinguish all cigarettes, cigars, vapes and other smoking materials.
9. Firearms and other weapons are not permitted on Club property.
10. Dogs and other pets, with the exception of registered service animals as defined by the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA), are not permitted on the Club's property other than

dogs at the Dog Park (Happy's Place). Registered service animals must be registered in the Club Office.

11. The membership directory and any other roster or list of Club members is for the use of the Club and its members and shall not be used or given to anyone other than a Club member.
12. No commercial advertisements shall be posted or circulated.
13. No petition shall be originated, solicited, posted or circulated except as provided by the By-Laws.
14. No organized religious services or political fund-raising efforts are allowed.
15. Approval by the General Manager is necessary for private dining room activities or parties and performance by entertainers.
16. All suggestions, complaints or criticisms of any kind relating to any of the operations of the Club must be in an email or writing, signed and addressed to the General Manager. If deemed appropriate, necessary and/or unresolved by the General Manager, such will be forwarded to the appropriate Club Committee or Board of Governors.
17. Each member or guest of a member assumes sole responsibility for his or her personal property. The Club shall not be responsible for any loss or damage to any private property used or stored on the property of the Club, whether in locker rooms or elsewhere.
18. Each member or guest of a member shall be liable for any property damage and/or personal injury, or any activity or function operated, organized, arranged or sponsored by the Club, caused by the member or any guest. The charge for such property damage shall be charged to the member's Club account.
19. Members and/or guests causing damage to the property or facilities of the Club will be subject to action by the Board of Governors.
20. Pursuant to the By-Laws, the Board of Governors has the power to amend, modify, or add to the General Club Rules as it deems necessary and shall notify the membership of such changes.

## **SECTION II**

### **GENERAL GOLF RULES**

**The USGA Rules of Golf shall be the rules of the Club, except when in conflict with local rules.**

1. The Golf Professional and assistant have full authority of all golf players at all times and are directed to carry out/enforce the rules and regulations and play pertaining to the golf courses and golf facilities.
2. Members and guests must wear appropriate attire at all golf facilities.
  - a. No jeans, denim, cargo shorts, tee shirts, tank tops or midriffs.
  - b. Men's shirts are to be tucked in at all times.
  - c. Golf shoes with metal spikes are not permitted at any of the Club facilities.
3. All golfers and guests must register with the Starter or Golf Pro Shop before beginning play.
4. All golfers are required to accept any/all directives from the Ranger/Starter.
5. "Cutting in" is not permitted at any time. Approval of the Starter or Golf Pro Shop is required to begin play at the 10th tee box.
6. The Pace of Play target is four (4) hours or less, depending on the conditions of the day.
7. All golfers are to observe the directional stakes, signs and roped-off areas.
8. Follow the Golf Cart Rule of the Day, which is posted at the water station.
9. Course Closed or Hole Closed signs must be adhered to without exception.
10. Cart Paths Only (CPO) Rule. Golf carts must always remain on cart paths. Handicap Flag users may play golf and may play those CPO holes, but MAY NOT drive a golf cart onto those CPO holes.
11. Ninety (90) Degree Rule. After the drive, golf carts are to be driven on the cart path until alongside your golf ball, at which time you may cross at a 90-degree angle to your ball to play your shot. After playing your shot, continue on the fairway and exit the fairway to the cart path at the directional stakes.
12. Handicap Flag users do NOT have unrestricted access to the golf course. Flagged carts must obey all rules and refrain from entering areas of the Par 3 holes. (See Handicap Flag policy.) Handicap-flagged carts are for the benefit of the handicapped member only.
13. Golfers are permitted to walk and use pull carts on the Championship Course after 1 p.m.
14. Golfers are permitted to walk and use pull carts on the Yellow Course at any time.
15. Golfers who walk should allow golfers with golf carts to play through as needed.
16. The Golf Professional has the right to restrict walking by any member or guest on the Championship Course and for any event on the Championship Course as deemed necessary.

17. Only two (2) golf carts are permitted per group, and only two (2) riders and two (2) golf bags are allowed per golf cart. For example: three (3) or four (4) golfers can use only two (2) golf carts, and two (2) golfers can use only one (1) golf cart.
18. Any member who has a medical condition that requires him or her to ride alone should submit a written request for exemption to the Golf Professional for Board of Governors approval.
19. Players who stop after the 9th hole for any reason may not delay the following group and are expected to give way and allow the following group to play through in order to maintain continuity of play.
20. After each round, golfers are required to enter their scores into the GHIN system.
21. Handicaps are computed under the supervision of the Golf Professional.
22. The Golf Committee will determine any handicap violations and notify the golfer of any actions taken.
23. The golf practice facilities, including the driving range and chipping areas, are only open during stated hours. Range balls and practice equipment may not be removed from practice areas.
24. The Championship Course and Yellow Course are not to be used as practice areas.
25. Any damage caused to the golf facilities may be subject to action by the Board of Governors.

### **SECTION III**

#### **GOLF STARTING TIMES**

1. Starting times are managed by the Golf Pro Shop.
2. Members who fail to cancel unused starting times will be subject to disciplinary action.
3. Pursuant to the By-Laws, day guests of members must be accompanied by the member at all times during the use of Club facilities; therefore, day guests may not use the golf course or golf facilities unless accompanied by a member.
4. Unaccompanied house guests of members, when the member is not in residence or not accompanying the house guest, are not permitted to play the Championship Course before 1 p.m. between November 15th and April 15th, unless approved by the Golf Pro Shop.

5. Twosomes and singles will be grouped with other players when possible. Contact the Golf Pro Shop the day of your starting time to see if you have been paired with another group.
6. Fivesomes are not permitted unless approved by the Golf Pro Shop.

## **SECTION IV**

### **GOLF CART RULES**

1. Operation of the golf cart is at the risk of the operator.
2. Operators of golf carts must be at least sixteen (16) years old and have a valid driver's license.
3. All member-owned golf carts to be used on the golf courses or golf facilities are to be insured. Proof of insurance is to be provided to the Club Office.
4. All member-owned golf carts to be used on the golf courses or golf facilities must be white or tan colored, four (4) wheel and electrically operated. These carts must be properly maintained and equipped with a sand bucket or bottle.
5. All member-owned golf carts to be used on the golf courses or golf facilities must have the surname of the owner displayed on the front of the golf cart.
6. Club-owned golf carts must not be driven off Club property.
7. The cost of repair of a Club-owned golf cart damaged by a golfer will be charged to the member's account or, in the case of a guest, charged to the sponsoring member's account.
8. Follow the Golf Cart Rule of the Day, which is posted at the water station.
9. Always use cart paths where provided, especially near tees and greens. Except on a cart path, do not drive a golf cart within fifteen (15) feet of a tee or thirty (30) feet of a green. On Par 3 holes, all golf carts must remain on the cart path, regardless of Handicap Flag status. (See Handicap Flag policy.)
10. Avoid soft areas in the fairway. Never drive a cart through a sand bunker or hazard.
11. Non-conforming golf carts are permitted only in the Club parking lot.

## **SECTION V**

## **GOLF COURSE ETIQUETTE**

**Each person using the course should do his/her part to make a round of golf at The Legacy Golf and Tennis Club a pleasant experience for everyone. Here are some basic rules that will contribute to the enjoyment of all golfers.**

1. Show up ten (10) minutes early for your starting time and be ready to play.
2. Observe the Golf Cart Rule of the Day, which is posted at the water station.
3. The Pace of Play target is four (4) hours or less, depending on the conditions of the day.
4. Be quiet and hold still while other golfers are hitting their shots, including putts.
5. Be ready to make your shot when it is your turn to play. If the golfers in your group are agreeable, do not be afraid to play out of turn if doing so will contribute to the progress of the group and maintain the pace of play.
6. Be ready to putt when it is your turn.
7. When approaching the green, drive and park your golf cart on the cart path to the side or rear of the green on a direct path to the next tee.
8. When play of the hole is completed, leave the green promptly and proceed to the next hole.
9. Scoring for that hole should be completed at the next hole.
10. Maintain the pace of play by remaining in position with the group ahead of you. If you are not holding your place on the course and there is a hole open in front of you, allow the golfers behind you to play through.
11. Repair yours and any other ball marks on the green.
12. Take sand to your shot. Fill divots in the fairway.
13. Enter and leave bunkers at the nearest point to the turf.
14. Rake bunkers after use and place rakes completely outside the bunker.

## **SECTION VI**

### **TENNIS AND PICKLEBALL RULES**



**USTA Rules and Regulations for tennis and USA Pickleball Association Rules for pickleball shall be the rules for the Club, except when in conflict with local rules.**

1. All players must register online before starting play.
2. Players must be in appropriate tennis clothing, including rubber smooth-soled tennis shoes.
3. Waiting periods for use of a court are to be kept to a minimum. When Club members are waiting, play is limited to one and a half (1½) hours for both singles and doubles.
4. Unaccompanied guests may play only if the member-sponsor has made a reservation for the guest to play and can play a maximum of 10 times per year.
5. The pickleball courts are for pickleball only, and proper equipment is to be used.
6. Proper etiquette, respectful language and courtesy are to be observed at all times.
7. Players should leave the court area in a neat and orderly condition.

## **SECTION VII**

### **POOL RULES**

1. The pool is for the exclusive use by members and their guests.
2. Use of pool facilities at any time is at the swimmer's own risk.
3. Swimming is prohibited before dawn and after dusk.
4. It is recommended that no one swim without another adult in the pool area.
5. Children under the age of sixteen (16) must be accompanied by an adult.
6. All swimmers must wear appropriate swimming attire.
7. Showers are required before entering the pool.
8. Children who are not "potty trained" are not allowed in the pool.
9. Glass bottles/glasses are not permitted in the pool area.
10. No animals (except registered service animals) are permitted in the pool area.

11. All persons are required to cover the furniture with a towel when using suntan lotion. Furniture may not be removed from the pool deck.
12. Diving, running, ball playing, noisy or hazardous activities are not permitted in the pool area.
13. No radios are permitted in the pool area except those being listened to with earphones.
14. All persons should leave the pool area and washrooms in a neat and orderly condition.

## **SECTION VIII**

### **YELLOW COURSE RULES**

**The Yellow Course was designed by Jim Fazio in 1998 and consists of all Par 3 holes. An additional set of tees provides for a great 18-hole experience.**

1. Report to the Golf Pro Shop before starting play and to get scorecards.
2. The course was designed for walking in mind. However, if you use your golf cart, keep your cart at least 15 feet from all tees and greens. Remain on the cart path wherever possible.
3. Observe the General Golf Rules, Golf Starting Times, Golf Cart Rules and Golf Course Etiquette rules in the prior sections of these rules.

## **SECTION IX**

### **BOCCE RULES**

1. Only Bocce games are permitted on the courts.
2. Soft-soled shoes are required.
3. Enter the courts from either end; do not enter from the court sides.
4. Equipment is to be returned at the end of play to the court-side bins.
5. Players should leave the court area in a neat and orderly condition.

## **SECTION X**

### **DESERT COURSE RULES**

**The Fazio Miniature Golf Desert Course is a lighted 18-hole putting course.**

1. The course is for putting only.
2. Respect the integrity of the course and plantings surrounding the holes.
3. Balls, putters and scorecards are available in the Fazio Club.
4. Complete each hole in order. When finished, return balls and putters to the Fazio Club.

## **SECTION XI**

### **DOG PARK/HAPPY'S PLACE RULES**

1. The Dog Park is reserved for Legacy Members only.
2. Large dogs are not permitted in the small dog area.
3. Clean up after your dog. Maintain the property in a neat and orderly condition.